
Appendix B.

American Indian and Alaska Native Farm Operators

Appendix B provides additional agricultural census data for farms and ranches operated by American Indians or Alaska Natives. Census report forms asked respondents to identify the race of up to three operators per farm or ranch. The race category of “American Indian or Alaska Native” could be selected as either a single race or in combination of other races as part of a multi-racial identification. Appendix B tables include data for farms or ranches whose operators self-identified as American Indian or Alaska Native either as a single race or in combination with other races. Appendix B is the only part of the volume 1 publication that includes this breakout of multi-race designation. Tables in other parts of the publication include as American Indian or Alaska Native only those operators with single-race identification. All multi-race identifications are combined together in the category “more than one race reported.”

To improve coverage of reservation agriculture, special procedures were followed in the census. A reservation-level census report form was obtained from knowledgeable reservation officials of most large reservations. These reports covered agricultural activity on the entire reservation. NASS reviewed these data and removed duplication with any data reported by American Indian or Alaska native farm operators who responded on an individual census report form. Additionally NASS obtained, from knowledgeable reservation officials, the count of American Indian and Alaska Native farm operators (on reservations) who were not counted through individual census report forms, but whose agricultural activity was included in the reservation-level report. Appendix B is the only part of the volume 1 publication that provides a total count of American Indian and Alaska Native farm operators, including those who returned an individual report and those otherwise included in the reservation-level report. Tables in other parts of the

publication count the number of individual reports from reservations plus the reservation report as a single farm.

Table A, American Indian and Alaska Native Operators: 2002, provides the number of farm operators (for up to three operators per farm) reported as American Indian or Alaska Native in the race category on the individual census report forms, plus the total number of American Indian or Alaska Native operators farming on reservations as reported by reservation officials. The count from the individual report forms is summarized in the “individually reported” column. It includes operators on or off reservations. The “other” column provides counts of operators on reservations as reported by a reservation or tribal official.

Table B, Selected Characteristics for Farms Operated By American Indians or Alaska Natives and For Total Farms: 2002, provides aggregated data for operations where at least one operator was American Indian or Alaska Native. Data include resource and production inputs and outputs of farms and ranches operated by American Indians and Alaska Natives, and compares the data to all farms. Reservation-level reports are included.

Table C, Selected Operator Characteristics for American Indians and Alaska Natives and for Total Reporting: 2002, presents demographic data for up to three American Indian or Alaska Native operators reported per farm or ranch on individual and reservation-level census report forms.

Table A. American Indian or Alaska Native Operators: 2002

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	American Indian or Alaska Native farm operators			Geographic area	American Indian or Alaska Native farm operators		
	Total	Individually reported ¹	Other ²		Total	Individually reported ¹	Other ²
STATE TOTAL				Kearney	2	2	-
Nebraska	151	139	12	Keith	3	3	-
COUNTIES				Kimball	2	2	-
Box Butte	1	1	-	Knox	16	7	9
Buffalo	2	2	-	Lancaster	3	3	-
Burt	1	1	-	Lincoln	6	6	-
Butler	4	4	-	Logan	1	1	-
Cass	2	2	-	Madison	9	9	-
Cherry	7	7	-	Otoe	3	3	-
Cuming	3	3	-	Pierce	1	1	-
Dawes	2	2	-	Richardson	3	3	-
Dawson	3	3	-	Saline	2	2	-
Deuel	2	2	-	Saunders	3	3	-
Dixon	2	2	-	Scotts Bluff	2	2	-
Douglas	1	1	-	Sheridan	9	8	1
Hall	1	1	-	Thurston	43	41	2
Harlan	5	5	-	Valley	1	1	-
				Washington	5	5	-
				Wayne	1	1	-

¹ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

² Data represent American Indian or Alaska Native farm or ranch operators on reservations who did not report individually. Data obtained from reservation officials.

Table B. Selected Characteristics of Farms Operated by American Indians or Alaska Native Operators and For Total Farms: 2002

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Characteristics	American Indian or Alaska Native operated farms ¹	Total farms	Percent of total	Characteristics	American Indian or Alaska Native operated farms ¹	Total farms	Percent of total
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS				FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES - Con.			
Farms number	141	49,355	0.3	Selected farm production expenses - Con.			
Land in farms acres	78,201	45,903,116	0.2	Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners \$1,000	303	465,636	0.1
Estimated market value of land and buildings ² \$1,000	54,035	35,726,993	0.2	Gasoline, fuels, and oils \$1,000	280	331,458	0.1
Average per farm dollars	353,169	723,863	(X)	Hired farm labor \$1,000	376	371,650	0.1
Average per acre dollars	238	419	(X)	Interest expense \$1,000	449	468,738	0.1
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ² \$1,000	5,857	5,370,381	0.1	Chemicals \$1,000	83	281,683	(Z)
Average per farm dollars	38,282	111,776	(X)	LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY			
Farms by size:				Beef cows inventory farms	48	20,991	0.2
1 to 9 acres	2	1,656	0.1	number	3,076	1,915,107	0.2
10 to 49 acres	43	5,664	0.8	Milk cows inventory farms	3	866	0.3
50 to 179 acres	40	10,180	0.4	number	3	66,926	(Z)
180 to 499 acres	27	11,310	0.2	Cattle and calves sold farms	46	23,416	0.2
500 to 999 acres	16	9,049	0.2	number	3,594	7,351,398	(Z)
1,000 acres or more	13	11,496	0.1	Hogs and pigs inventory farms	10	3,075	0.3
Total cropland farms	133	43,722	0.3	number	1,100	2,933,620	(Z)
Harvested cropland acres	29,473	22,520,874	0.1	Hogs and pigs sold farms	10	3,594	0.3
Irrigated land farms	67	37,143	0.2	number	4,464	8,993,521	(Z)
acres	14,036	17,336,624	0.1	Sheep and lambs inventory farms	-	1,435	-
acres	19	17,970	0.1	number	-	97,373	-
acres	3,257	7,625,170	(Z)	Sheep and lambs sold farms	-	1,142	-
TENURE				number	-	89,941	-
Full owners farms	101	24,191	0.4	Horses and ponies inventory farms	36	9,321	0.4
acres	34,286	13,765,932	0.2	number	273	58,928	0.5
Part owners farms	23	18,646	0.1	Horses and ponies sold farms	10	1,735	0.6
acres	34,262	27,308,269	0.1	number	37	8,272	0.4
Tenants farms	17	6,518	0.3	Bison inventory farms	2	146	1.4
acres	9,653	4,828,915	0.2	number	(D)	14,436	(D)
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD				Bison sold farms	1	70	1.4
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text) \$1,000	4,787	9,703,657	(Z)	number	(D)	2,760	(D)
Average per farm dollars	33,952	196,609	(X)	Layers 20 weeks old and older inventory farms	7	1,396	0.5
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops \$1,000	1,559	3,388,265	(Z)	number	79	11,786,314	(Z)
Livestock, poultry, and their products \$1,000	3,229	6,315,392	0.1	Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold farms	-	231	-
FARMS BY ECONOMIC CLASS (SEE TEXT)				number	-	3,361,353	-
Less than \$1,000	70	8,002	0.9	SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED			
\$1,000 to \$2,499	10	1,818	0.6	Corn for grain farms	27	23,889	0.1
\$2,500 to \$4,999	10	2,172	0.5	acres	3,224	7,344,715	(Z)
\$5,000 to \$9,999	7	3,077	0.2	bushels	288,892	908,360,246	(Z)
\$10,000 to \$24,999	10	5,853	0.2	Corn for silage or greenchop farms	8	5,408	0.1
\$25,000 to \$49,999	13	6,030	0.2	acres	338	409,447	0.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6	6,619	0.1	tons	2,134	4,476,086	(Z)
\$100,000 or more	15	15,784	0.1	Wheat for grain, All farms	6	6,674	0.1
OTHER FARM CHARACTERISTICS				acres	317	1,526,775	(Z)
Farms reporting -				bushels	16,642	50,299,684	(Z)
Computers for farm business	54	23,290	0.2	Winter wheat for grain farms	6	6,673	0.1
Internet access	56	25,651	0.2	acres	317	1,526,025	(Z)
Farms by type of organization:				bushels	16,642	50,291,179	(Z)
Family or individual	125	42,835	0.3	Durum wheat for grain farms	-	-	-
Partnership	1	3,080	(Z)	acres	-	-	-
Corporation	1	3,065	(Z)	bushels	-	-	-
Other-cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc	14	375	3.7	Spring wheat for grain farms	-	6	-
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES				acres	-	750	-
Total farm production expenses \$1,000	5,061	9,050,038	0.1	bushels	-	8,505	-
Selected farm production expenses:				Barley for grain farms	-	64	-
Livestock and poultry purchased \$1,000	248	3,211,783	(Z)	acres	-	2,588	-
Feed purchased \$1,000	786	1,490,523	0.1	bushels	-	84,194	-
				Oats for grain farms	4	1,475	0.3
				acres	62	53,946	0.1
				bushels	2,534	2,367,835	0.1
				Sunflower seed, All farms	-	218	-
				acres	-	33,400	-
				pounds	-	22,405,407	-
				Soybeans for beans farms	20	20,074	0.1
				acres	2,521	4,571,558	0.1
				bushels	85,197	173,029,716	(Z)
				Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop (see text) farms	46	22,981	0.2
				acres	7,113	2,862,592	0.2
				tons, dry	9,880	5,647,370	0.2

¹ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm or ranch on places where operators would identify themselves as American Indian or Alaska Native.

² Data are based on a sample of farms.

Table C. Selected Operator Characteristics for American Indians or Alaska Natives and For Total Reporting: 2002

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Characteristics	American Indian or Alaska Native operators reporting ¹	Total operators reporting ¹	Characteristics	American Indian or Alaska Native operators reporting ¹	Total operators reporting ¹
Operators	147	69,574	Years on present farm:		
Sex of operator:			2 years or less	7	2,133
Male	114	54,212	3 or 4 years	14	3,989
Female	33	15,362	5 to 9 years	30	9,920
			10 years or more	96	53,532
Primary occupation:			Age group:		
Farming	76	48,005	Under 25 years	5	1,164
Other	71	21,569	25 to 34 years	11	5,857
			35 to 44 years	23	14,691
Place of residence:			45 to 54 years	23	19,258
On farm operated	98	52,864	55 to 64 years	63	13,757
Not on farm operated	49	16,710	65 to 74 years	18	9,626
			75 years and over	4	5,221
Days worked off farm:			Average age of -		
None	52	33,952	All operators ¹	52.7	52.3
Any	95	35,622	Principal operator	55.8	53.9
1 to 49 days	3	5,513	Second operator	45.9	49.1
50 to 99 days	3	2,571	Third operator	35.6	43.5
100 to 199 days	12	4,735			
200 days or more	77	22,803	Living on an American Indian reservation	51	489

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